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## RESPONSE

In response to the Examiner's action mailed June 30, 1995, please amend the application, as follows:

## In the claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Amended) A method of detecting a target object of a specific material of interest in [an] a continuously moving ensemble of <u>initially unidentified</u> objects, comprising:

providing a stationary X-ray exposure system, stationary \$\pm\$-ray detection system, and a computer operatively connected to said detection system,

continuously moving [on a conveyor] said ensemble of objects on a conveyor through an inspection station,

[exposing,] at said inspection station, progressively exposing said initially unidentified ensemble of objects to X-ray radiation by continuous movement of said ensemble through a beam produced by said stationary X-ray exposure system,

detecting the X-ray radiation transmitted through said ensemble of objects with said stationary X-ray detection system,

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Date of Deposit August 25, 1995 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facalmile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated above.